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PATENT
Customer Number 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 06999.0009-00000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of: |) | |
| |) | Group Art Unit: 1632 |
| Austin SMITH et al. |) | |
| |) | Examiner: Shin Lin Chen |
| Serial No.: 09/686,880 |) | |
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| Filed: October 12, 2000 |) | Confirmation No.: 5994 |
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| For: LINEAGE SPECIFIC CELLS |) | |
| AND PROGENITOR CELLS |) | |
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action mailed February 27, 2004, the period for response having been extended to June 27, 2004 by a request for extension of time for one month and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.